

Shall Not Move the Wreck.

Admiral Sampson is determined not to allow the Spanish to remove the Merrimac from the place where she lies. On Saturday it was reported that they were working at the hull and the American fleet formed line of battle, with orders to bombard. It turned out that the Spanish were not so engaged and the fleet withdrew.

Admiral Sampson had given orders that El Morro, where the heroes of the Merrimac are imprisoned, should be spared in the firing. Admiral Cervera's polite assurances were accompanied by the statement that Lieutenant Hobson and his men were confined there. This placing of prisoners in the direct line of fire is denounced by the American officer as a thirteenth century defense and act of inhumanity.

General Castillo, commanding the Cuban forces in the west and north of the province of Santiago has been concentrating 4,000 Cubans in the vicinity of the city.

Firing off Santiago.

Mole St. Nicholas, June 6.—Advice received here today from the flagship, New York, off Santiago de Cuba, and forward at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, say there is no truth in the report from Port Antonio, Jamaica, that the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror had been sunk by the United States battleship Oregon.

It is also reported from the flagship that no further news has been received from the Merrimac prisoners.

A bunch came out from the shore on Sunday morning under a flag of truce, and the Spanish officer who was in charge of the boat said he thought he saw a flag of truce flying on board the Iowa. When the officers discovered his mistake the launch returned to Morro Castle. The United States transport, formerly the Yorktown, has arrived off Santiago de Cuba with apprentices for the fleet. The United States dispatch boat Suwanee has also arrived at the fleet safely.

TREMENDOUS HAIL.

Nelson County Visited by a Very Destructive Storm.

A very severe and destructive hail storm passed through Nelson County late Thursday evening, extending from upper Rockfish to the Amherst line. The growing crops of every description were completely destroyed. Mr. James Harvey's farm, about three miles from Lovingston, is torn all to pieces. The hail on the bottoms below his house was several inches deep.

All his wheat, corn and one hundred thousand hills of tobacco were totally destroyed. Mr. Harvey had a fine crop of corn and expected to make near 1,000 bushels of wheat. The storm passed over a portion of Mr. James L. Wood's farm doing great damage. A good many farmers near Lovingston say their crops are ruined.

A special from Greenfield, Nelson county, to the Richmond Times, says of the storm:

At 6 p.m. yesterday this section was visited by a terrific and destructive hail storm. Stones as large as partridge eggs fell in abundance, literally covering the ground.

Gardens, corn-fields and wheat fields have suffered seriously from the storm.—Lynchburg News, June 5th.

CAPTURE HUNDREDS.

Work of Insurgents in Cavite. Sampson Arranging for an Exchange.

Washington, June 6.—The Navy Department today posted the following bulletin:

"Admiral Dewey reports that insurgents have been actively engaged within the province of Cavite during the past week. They have won several victories, taken prisoners about 1,800 men and fifty officers of the Spanish troops, not native.

"The arsenal of Cavite has been prepared for occupation by the United States troops upon their arrival on transports.

"Admiral Sampson is engaged in arranging with Admiral Cervera for the exchange of Naval Constructor Hobson and the men with him now prisoners at Santiago, for some of the officers and men held prisoners by the United States at Fort McPherson."

WITHOUT A SCRATCH.

How Sampson Received the News of Hobson's Safety.

With the fleet of Santiago, June 3, 6 p.m., via Kingston, Jamaica, June 5.—[Delayed in transmission.] All the members of the Merrimac expedition are safe. Two are slightly wounded, but Lieut. Hobson escaped without a scratch. This almost incredible news was brought out this afternoon to Rear Admiral Sampson by Admiral Cervera's chief of staff under a flag of truce.

"Admiral Cervera," said Captain Bustamente Oviedo, "is so touched by the bravery of the young men that he felt it only right you should know they are alive. They are prisoners of war and are being well treated."

Tremendous enthusiasm reigns over the complete success of the expedition. During the day the Merrimac was plainly seen lying athwart the channel. She could hardly have been placed better had she been sunk in the daylight and with no accompanying fire. It was an anxious day on all the ships. By noon all the officers and men feared the Merrimac's heroes had died in their work, but at 2 o'clock this afternoon a little black tug flying a white flag was seen coming out of the saffron hills of the harbor.

Slowly she moved toward New York. Assistant Chief of Staff, Stanton, boarded the Vixen, flying a flag of truce, and met the Spanish tug, which proved to be the Colon. Halfway, Captain Oviedo signified his desire to see Admiral Sampson personally, and he was taken aboard the flagship.

The enthusiasm as the news spread from signals from the Vixen was so intense that the appearance of the Spanish Captain over the side of the New York hardly excited the surprise that might have been expected.

Admiral Sampson greeted Captain Oviedo most cordially, thanking Admiral Cervera for his gallant courtesy, and made the preliminary arrangements for the exchange of Lieutenant Hobson and his seven heroes.

However, as they have naturally learned much about the fortifications, it is hardly likely that they will be exchanged for some time.

After a friendly chat in the cabin, Admiral Sampson sat on deck with Captain Oviedo and pointed out his great ships with pride. Stores and clothing for the Merrimac heroes were put aboard the Colon, and Captain Oviedo went back in his little black tug under the flag of truce, never used, perhaps, to a more chivalrous purpose.

The names of the two wounded men were not ascertained. One has a slight wound in the cheek and the other in the hip.

After blowing up the Merrimac Lieutenant Hobson and his party swam ashore and were captured.

Col. William J. Bryan.

It appears that Mr. Bryan may get his regiment after all. We hope he will. He has come forward at his country's call, anxious to serve it in any way, and has devoted himself to the creation and organization of a Nebraska regiment. He has not vaunted himself. He has displayed no spirit of vanity or ostentation. While hordes of popinjays—favorite proteges of great men, curling darlings of society—clamored for staff positions or big commands, William J. Bryan, with more ability than any hundred of them put together, has gone to work modestly and without self-seeking. He recruited a force and it was taken in him. He persisted and got another force. The newspapers have made fun of him, his enemies have sought to cover him with ridicule and derision, now there is another regiment and both the soldiers and the Governor want Bryan to command it. We trust it may be so. Mr. Bryan is young, he is patriotic, has courage, nerve, brains, initiative, equilibrium. There is nothing discreditable in his ambition to lead a regiment of his fellow citizens in this emergency. We do not know where Burke Cockran, Billy Bynum and the rest of the spluttering heroes who deserted the Democratic party two years ago, are at present exhibiting their prowess. We do not know, however, that Mr. Bryan is trying to do his part, and we believe that he worth more to the country and deserves more at its hands than any of them.—Washington Post.

CASTORIA

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THE MERRIMAC SUNK.

The Ship taken into Santiago Harbor and

Blown up by her Own Crew, who

Escaped Serious Injury.

THE MOST HEROIC ACT OF AGES.

Kingston, Jamaica, June 4.—Admiral Sampson on Friday morning decided to close the narrow entrance of Santiago de Cuba by sinking the collier Merrimac, loaded with coal, in the channel. He called for volunteers to go to almost certain death, and 4000 men offered themselves.

Lieutenant Hobson and seven men were chosen, and at 3 o'clock Friday morning, the Merrimac, under her own steam, entered the channel under a terrible Spanish fire.

The vessel was riddled with projectiles, but she anchored and swung around. Lieutenant Hobson then set off an internal torpedo with an electrical attachment. There was an explosion, the Merrimac sank, the channel was closed, and, apparently, Admiral Cervera will be unable to escape.

How the Crew Saved Themselves.

Hobson and the hero crew of the Merrimac were saved in the following manner: Unable, after the sinking of the vessel, to make their way back through the storm of shot and shell, they rowed into the harbor to the Spanish flagship and were taken on board unharmed.

The Spanish admiral, under a flag of truce, on Friday, sent word to the American admiral that he offered to exchange prisoners, adding that in the meanwhile Hobson and his party would be treated with the greatest kindness.

Sunken Merrimac Dynamited.

Port au Prince, June 4.—8:30 a.m.—After the bombardment, the Spaniards blew up with dynamite the American collier Merrimac and have since been at work clearing the channel, so as to permit Admiral Cervera's fleet to put to sea should the Cadiz squadron under Admiral Camara arrive in Cuban waters to relieve the blockaded ships.

In the meantime, the dispatches from Santiago de Cuba say that the Spaniards pay tribute to the audacity of the Americans in so cleverly attempting to block the channel.

There are a great number of insurgents in the vicinity of Santiago, probably waiting for some decisive action upon the part of the American fleet, which will undoubtedly be a signal for a land attack upon the town.

The Merrimac Men Safe.

With the American Fleet, off Santiago de Cuba, June 3, via Mole St. Nicholas, Hayti, June 4.—All the members of the Merrimac expedition are safe. Only two of them were slightly injured; their names are not known. Lieutenant Hobson was not hurt. All of the Merrimac's men are held as prisoners of war. The news of their wonderful escape was sent to Rear Admiral Sampson by Admiral Cervera, the Spanish admiral being so struck with the courage of the Merrimac's crew that he thought Admiral Sampson should know that they had not lost their lives.

Admiral Cervera's chief of staff, Captain Oviedo, boarded the New York under a flag of truce bearing the announcement of the safety of the Merrimac's men and returning with a supply of provisions and money for the prisoners.

Hobson and His Crew.

Kingston, Jamaica, June 4.—The stroke which leaves the government at Washington free to act without further fear of the Spaniard's fleet was planned by Lieutenant Richmond Hobson, who commanded the expedition. With him went—

DANIEL MONTAGUE,
GEORGE CHARETTE,
J. E. MURPHY,
OSCAR DIEGNAN,
JOHN J. PHILLIPS,
JOHN KELLY.

All these were non-commissioned officers or enlisted men.

A Deserter Captured.

Roanoke, Va., June 1.—Lieutenant Langhorne, of Company H, Second Virginia Regiment, passed here today in charge of Private T. E. Thompson who is charged with desertion. Thompson was granted two days furlough to go to his home in Christiansburg and failed to return. Speculation is rife concerning his fate, and it is believed that will be summarily dealt with as an example to other timid soldiers.

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Did They Sink a Destroyer?

On Board the American Press Dispatch Boat Dauntless, off Santiago de Cuba, via Kingston, June 6.—Whether the American fleet sunk a Spanish torpedo-boat destroyer on Friday night has not been absolutely confirmed.

At 10 o'clock Friday night the cruiser New Orleans discovered what appeared to be a torpedo boat destroyer close to the shore and signaled the flagship New York that a night torpedo attack was to be made. Both the New York and New Orleans opened fire, and their shells burst around the dark object. Finally a 13 inch shell from the Massachusetts (not the Oregon as first reported,) was fired and exploded.

The search lights of the vessels were turned on the spot where the supposed destroyer had been sighted, but not a trace of the boat could be found, and it is believed on the New York that she was sunk.

The first assumption was that the vessel was the Terror, but it is thought now that it was the Pluton or Furor, as the Terror is not understood to have been at Santiago. On Saturday two Schwarzkopf torpedoes were found floating two miles south of El Morro. This is the class of torpedo used by the Spanish and one of the two found had on the practice head.

Many officers of the fleet believe that a darkened eye train that was moving along the shore was the real object of the bombardment, instead of a destroyer. No wreckage had been found, no dead bodies have been noticed, and it is possible that the torpedoes were some of those fired at the collier Merrimac when Lieutenant Hobson sunk her, which subsequently floated outside the harbor.

Don't think because you are sick and nothing seems to give you relief that you can't be cured. There must be cure for you somewhere.

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Rhea and Walker.

Pulaski will select next Monday, which is the June County Court day, delegates to the Democratic Convention to nominate a candidate for Congress from the Ninth district, which convention meets here on the 5th of July. Judge Rhea has a walkover for the nomination, and it is thought he will be readily elected, though General J. A. Walker will put up a hard fight.—Richmond Times.

WHY COMMODORE SCHLEY FIRED

The Cristobal Colon Tried to Run the Blockade.

Port au Prince, Hayti, June 1.—10:15 p.m.—By Telegram to the Constitution.—According to the latest advice from Santiago, when the Spanish cruiser Cristobal Colon emerged from the harbor yesterday to the entrance of the channel, she was welcomed by such a furious fire, as soon as the American squadron sighted her, that she was compelled to return into the bay. It was her intention to force her way out into the open sea.

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